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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56 and §1.97-1.98, enclosed please find a completed Form PTO-1449, citing references for consideration by the Examiner during examination of the above-referenced patent application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), only copies of those documents not previously cited and submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office in prior application serial No. 09/235,720, filed January 22, 1999 are enclosed.

Applicants request consideration of these references by the Examiner in regard to the present application, and that the Examiner initial and return the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

Applicants also wish to alert the Examiner to the existence of the following related pending U.S. patent applications, copies of which are attached: U.S. Ser. Nos. 09/106,506; 09/100,163; 09/099,632; 09/099,555; 09/099,562; and 09/235,925.

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